

# **EXHIBIT C**

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

IN RE: NURTURE BABY FOOD  
LITIGATION

This Document Relates to:

All Actions

Master File No.: 1:21-cv-01217-MKV

**DECLARATION OF MICHAEL LISKOW  
IN SUPPORT OF THE STEWART  
MOVANTS' MOTION FOR  
APPOINTMENT OF LORI G. FELDMAN  
AND REBECCA A. PETERSON AS  
INTERIM CO-LEAD COUNSEL**

I, Michael Liskow, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney licensed to practice in the States of New York and California and have been admitted to practice in several courts across the country, including this one. I am a partner with the law firm of Calcaterra Pollack LLP ("Calcaterra Pollack" or "the Firm"). I am counsel of record for Plaintiffs Nicole Stewart, Shannon Fitzgerald, and Summer Apicella in the above-captioned consolidated action.

2. This consolidated action is a consumer fraud class action against Defendant Nurture, Inc. ("Nurture") regarding its negligent, reckless, and/or intentional practice of misrepresenting and failing to fully disclose the presence (or material risk of) heavy metals and perchlorates in its baby food sold throughout the United States.

3. I submit this declaration in support of the appointment of Lori G. Feldman of George Gesten McDonald, PLLC and Rebecca A. Peterson of Lockridge Grindal Nauen P.L.L.P. as Plaintiffs' Interim Co-Lead Counsel pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(g), and for the appointment of an Executive Committee consisting of myself, Katherine Van Dyck of Cuneo Gilbert & LaDuca,

LLP, Kara A. Elgersma of Wexler Wallace, LLP, Eddie Jae K. Kim of Carlson Lynch LLP, and Mark Rosen of Barrack Rodos & Bacine.

4. I have extensive experience litigating complex class actions on behalf of plaintiffs, with a primary focus on consumer fraud, antitrust, data breach and insurance matters. I was designated a “Rising Star” by New York Super Lawyers each year from 2013-2018, and a New York “Super Lawyer” each year since 2019. I also served as a clerk for the Honorable Steven H. Levinson of the Supreme Court of Hawai‘i.

5. I have initiated and litigated numerous class actions to completion as the lead attorney through investigation, complaint, discovery, motion practice, appeal and resolution, including *Thompson v. Bethpage Federal Credit Union*, No. 2:17-cv-00921 (E.D.N.Y.), alleging violations of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act resulting in a settlement where every class member received a full recovery, and *Egleston v. Verizon*, No. 194784/2011 (N.Y. Sup. Ct.), on behalf of overbilled Verizon customers resulting in a \$5 million settlement providing full refunds plus interest and fees to the class. I acted as lead counsel in two data breach class actions resulting in significant settlements, *Mizrahi v. NBEO*, No. 16-cv-03146-JKB (D. Md.) and *Bokelman v. FCH Enters.*, No. 18-00209-RJB-RLP (D. Haw.) I also had a significant role in representing a class of overcharged tenants of Stuyvesant Town and Peter Cooper Village in New York City, resulting in a \$173 million recovery, the largest recovery for tenants in United States history.

6. I am currently acting as lead counsel in *Am. Jetter & Plumbing, Inc. v. State Comp. Ins. Fund*, No. 19STCV36307 (Sup. Ct. Cal.), a class action on behalf of businesses charged improper workers’ compensation insurance rates. I am also acting as co-lead counsel in *Sotelo v. Rawlings*, No. 2:18-cv-09166-GW-MAA (C.D. Cal.), a consumer class action against a baseball bat manufacturer for false advertising and misrepresentations, and acting as lead counsel in *Tepper*

*v. Santander*, No. 7:20-cv-00501-KMK (S.D.N.Y.), a consumer class action against a mortgage lender for failure to pay interest on escrow accounts required by law. I also currently represent a plaintiff in *In re Apple iPhone Antitrust Litig.*, No. 4:11-cv-06714-YGR (N.D. Cal.), stemming from Apple's monopolization of the iPhone application market.

7. My firm Calcaterra Pollack is a 100% women-owned six-attorney law firm based in New York, New York. The firm's attorneys have litigated dozens of federal and state complex litigation matters, including class actions, and secured several hundred million dollars in recoveries for clients in a variety of fields including consumer protection, antitrust, securities, social justice, and commercial litigation. Calcaterra Pollack is a WBENC-Certified Women's Business Enterprise and has applied for certification as a New York State Women's Business Enterprise. The firm not only supports but embodies diversity and inclusion in the practice of law, with seven of the eight employees of the firm being women and/or professionals of color and/or openly LGBTQI+.

8. The Firm's biography detailing our experience, successes and commitment to diversity and inclusion in the practice of law is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

9. Counsel for Plaintiffs Nicole Stewart, Shannon Fitzgerald, Summer Apicella, Jodi Smith, Lillian Hampton, Kelly McKeon, Jen Macleod, Tiffanie Skibicki, Angela Gutierrez, Edelin Altuve, Brandy Daniels, Diego Galeana, April Gillens, Jandrea Glenn, Elizabeth Hall, Savanna Jarrell, Laszlo Kovacs, Cori Lau, Michelle Lyles, Christina Martinson, Melissa Mejia, Chey'na Micciche, Julia Milton, Michael Morrow, Stacy Musto, Gladys Okolo, and Lidia Tilahun (the "Stewart Movants") have self-organized and assembled a leadership structure uniting skill, experience, and diversity to fairly and adequately represent the Plaintiffs and the proposed class. Every firm with a filed case in this proposed structure has had an opportunity to participate in the

creation of the leadership structure and have representation in some capacity, with the goal to balance the maximization of resources and efficiency.

10. Lori G. Feldman and Rebecca A. Peterson are highly qualified to lead this litigation. Both have significant experience in complex class action litigation matters, including consumer class action litigation relating to heavy metals and other contaminants in food and consumer goods, and have shown that they will lead this litigation in an efficient and practical manner. They will preserve class resources by eliminating unnecessary and duplicative work and managing the time of the firms by requiring submission of contemporaneous prepared time records.

11. Likewise, the proposed Executive Committee is comprised of eminently qualified attorneys who are experienced in the matters presented in this litigation and will bring both expertise and value to this matter. The proposed leadership structure provides an efficient and effective way to ensure that Plaintiffs commit the necessary time and resources to this litigation. The resources that the supporting law firms have and will continue to commit to this litigation simply cannot be matched by any single law firm.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this 28th day of September, 2021

/s/ Michael Liskow  
Michael Liskow

# **EXHIBIT 1**

# CALCATERRA POLLACK LLP

Experience, Integrity & Leadership



## CALCATERRA POLLACK LLP

Calcaterra Pollack LLP (“Calcaterra Pollack” or the “Firm”) is pleased to present our qualifications. As set forth below, our partners have litigated dozens of federal and state complex litigation matters, including class actions, securing several hundred million dollars in recoveries for our clients. The Firm’s partners have over five decades of experience prosecuting consumer protection, antitrust, securities, social justice, and commercial federal and state complex litigation. They have been recognized for their litigation experience and leadership, as reflected in numerous lead counsel appointments; the Firm’s co-founders being named to *Lawdragon’s* 500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers in America in 2020 and 2021; the Firm receiving the *National Law Journal’s* 2020 Trailblazer – Elite Boutique award; co-founding partner Regina Calcaterra being listed in *Crain’s* Notable Women In Law 2021; and co-founding partner Janine Pollack being elected as Co-President of the National Association of Shareholder and Consumer Attorneys (an organization representing class action plaintiffs’ attorneys protecting consumer and shareholder rights).

Calcaterra Pollack prides itself on its broad experience and strong diversity within the Firm. Calcaterra Pollack is a 100% women-owned firm, and the firm is nearly 90% diverse: seven of eight team members are women and/or professionals of color and/or openly LGBTQI+ and/or a DACA recipient. The Firm is a WBENC-Certified Women’s Business Enterprise and has applied for certification as a New York State Women’s Business Enterprise.

## Practice Areas

### Consumer Protection

The Firm’s attorneys have secured significant recoveries for plaintiffs in matters related to consumer protection violations. Calcaterra Pollack pursues class action and individual claims on behalf of consumers who have purchased goods or services that are defective, falsely advertised, or sold through deception. Many times, such products cause death or injury, thereby requiring litigation to curtail such practices and secure compensation for our clients.

Notable Current Consumer Protection Litigation:

- **Seeking Compensation from Opiate Manufacturers and Distributors who Caused the Opioid Crisis on behalf of Labor Health & Welfare Benefit Funds:** Calcaterra Pollack is representing labor health and welfare benefit funds, including the Teamsters Local 237, the New York City District Council of Carpenters, and the Hollow Metal Trust Fund, in *In re National Opiate Litigation MDL* against opiate manufacturers and distributors. The allegations against the defendants include misrepresenting the risks of addiction from prescription opioids; advising that signs of opioid addiction should be treated with more opioids; making false representations as to how opioid addiction could be avoided and managed; denying



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risks of higher opioid dosages; and falsely touting the benefits of long-term opioid use. As a result, our clients incurred burdensome costs, in relation to their members, for (largely ineffective) opioid prescriptions, treatments, and other related health expenses.

- **Co-Counsel Representing Seven Families across the US who Lost Their Infants against Mattel, Inc. And Fisher-Price, Inc. for Falsely Advertising the Safety of the Rock ‘n Play Infant Sleeper:** Calcaterra Pollack represents seven families whose infants tragically passed away in the Fisher- Price Rock ‘n Play Sleeper. Our clients now seek to hold Fisher-Price, Inc., and its corporate parent Mattel, Inc., accountable for their children’s untimely and avoidable deaths. The complaints filed on their behalf allege that the defendants had actual knowledge that the Rock ‘n Play Sleeper could cause infant deaths if used as a sleeper, yet nevertheless callously persisted in marketing and selling the Rock ‘n Play Sleeper to unsuspecting families for years, until it was finally recalled in April 2019. The recall came too late to save the Plaintiff Families’ children, and over 80 other infants, who died while sleeping in the Rock ‘n Play Inclined Sleeper between 2009 and 2019.
- **Co-Interim Class Counsel Representing Customers in a Data Breach Case Against a Large Clothing Retailer:** Calcaterra Pollack is Co-Interim Class Counsel in *In re Hudson’s Bay Company Data Security Incident Consumer Litigation*, No. 18-cv-8472 (PKC) (S.D.N.Y.), in which the plaintiffs allege that Hudson’s Bay, the parent company of the Saks and Lord & Taylor stores, and others failed to exercise reasonable care to safeguard the personal information of its customers, which allowed a breach of its information systems. Plaintiffs seek damages and injunctive relief from the Defendants.

### Antitrust

Antitrust laws protect the public by preserving and nurturing the economic advantages inherent in free-market competition. Calcaterra Pollack’s antitrust practice works to ensure that these protections are being enforced at both the state and federal level, increasing recoveries for consumers and businesses that have been harmed by anti-competitive practices while encouraging the adoption of remedies intended to discourage future violations. Antitrust violations can include monopolization, price-fixing and manipulation, and other anti-competitive practices.

#### Settled:

- **Significant Recovery Achieved against Visa and MasterCard for Interchange Fee Cost Collusion over Fourteen Years on behalf of the MTA:** Calcaterra Pollack LLP represented the Metropolitan Transit Authority (“MTA”) and several of its entities in the antitrust action *Metropolitan Transportation Authority, et al. v. Visa U.S.A., Inc., et al.*, Case No. 19-cv-04256 (E.D.N.Y.), alleging restraint of trade in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act against Visa and MasterCard. The lawsuit was an “opt-out” action from a class action filed in 2005 in *In re Payment Card*

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*Interchange Fee and Merchant Discount Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 1720 (MKB) (JO), and principally concerned defendants' allegedly unlawful actions to impose and enforce rules that limited merchants from steering their customers to other payment methods, thereby causing merchants to pay excessive interchange fees. Merchants throughout the U.S., including the MTA, were forced to pay non-competitive fees to the credit card companies for over fourteen years. This opt-out litigation sought an increased recovery beyond what could have been achieved otherwise. The MTA also received a settlement years before class members who did not opt-out of the class action settlement.

### Notable Current Antitrust Litigation:

- **Executive Committee Counsel Representing the MTA's Public Pension Funds against Nine Banks for Unfair Investment Costs Incurred Resulting from Bid-Rigging and Market Manipulation on the Mexican Bond Market:** Calcaterra Pollack represents New York's Metropolitan Transportation Authority's pension funds, the Manhattan and Bronx Surface Transit Operating Authority Pension Plan and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority Defined Benefit Pension Plan Master Trust, in an antitrust class action against nine global banks and their affiliates. The allegations against the banks result from a scheme to manipulate prices on the Mexican government bond market. The defendant financial institutions were part of an exclusive group of Mexican government-approved market makers for the bonds who allegedly abused this dominant position to unlawfully increase the profitability of their trading and sales businesses by overcharging and underpaying their customers for over eleven years. The collusion and market manipulation resulted in investors paying more and recovering less. In October 2019, Mexico's antitrust regulator, the Comisión Federal de Competencia Económica (COFECE), announced formal charges against seven of the defendants.
- **Generic Drug Federal Antitrust Bid Rigging & Price Manipulation Litigation on behalf of Suffolk County:** Calcaterra Pollack represents Suffolk County in *County of Suffolk v. Actavis Holdco US, Inc., et al.*, 20 cv-40009 (SDNY), a federal antitrust lawsuit against 46 major generic drug manufacturers ("Defendants"). Suffolk County pays healthcare costs for individuals including County employees, retirees, inmates of County jails, Medicaid beneficiaries, and Medicare beneficiaries. This includes paying pharmaceutical costs for generic prescription drugs. Suffolk County alleges that Defendants illegally restrained trade, artificially inflated and manipulated prices and reduced competition for generic drugs. The County alleges that as a result of Defendants' illegal collusive activities, it paid artificially inflated prices for at least 130 critical generic drugs since 2011. These generic drugs include medications used to treat high blood pressure, bacterial infections, pneumonia, multiple sclerosis, glaucoma, epilepsy, rheumatoid arthritis, and diabetes, as well as medications used in cancer treatments. The alleged anti-competitive conduct by the drug companies included entering into illegal agreements to simultaneously raise generic drug prices. The drug companies also eliminated price competition by

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agreeing not to compete in the same market or divide up the market share, as long as their “competitors” did not charge less than the agreed upon price, forcing purchasers such as government entities and individuals to pay the increased collusive price. As a result of a series of investigations into the defendants’ illegal antitrust activity, the U.S. Department of Justice has charged four of the named defendants, who have agreed to pay over \$220 million in criminal penalties.

- **Insurance Settlement Opt-Out Litigation on behalf of the MTA:** Calcaterra Pollack represents New York's Metropolitan Transportation Authority and several of its entities in an opt-out from the Damages Class that was formed as part of *In re: Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation*, MDL 2406, N.D. Ala., Master File No. 2:13-cv-20000-RDP. Plaintiffs allege that the defendants in this case violated antitrust laws by entering into an agreement not to compete with each other and to limit competition among themselves in selling health insurance and administrative services for health insurance. The nationwide class in this litigation includes persons and entities who purchased or were enrolled in a Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance or administrative services plan between 2008 and 2020. As the MTA is a large employer that offers insurance through Blue Cross Blue Shield plans, Calcaterra Pollack has worked to exclude the MTA from the 2.67 billion settlement fund in hopes that the MTA will be able to achieve a more favorable and timely settlement for its claims.

### Securities Litigation & Shareholder Protection

Calcaterra Pollack LLP is dedicated to ensuring our clients are treated fairly by maximizing recoveries of lost funds and addressing corporate governance issues to enhance shareholder value. Our attorneys have been part of litigation teams that recovered several hundred million dollars on behalf of institutional investors, including the New York State Common Retirement Fund and the Ohio Teachers Retirement Plan. Such experience also includes advising institutional investors on issues related to corporate governance, shareholder rights, portfolio monitoring and claims filing, and private and class action securities litigation. Our Firm works to hold companies accountable for misconduct and misrepresentations to their shareholders and investors.

Notable Current Securities Class Action Litigation:

- **Co-Counsel Representing MTA’s Public Pension and Benefit Funds against Allianz after losing over \$200 million in Allianz’s Structured Alpha Funds:** Calcaterra Pollack serves as Co-Counsel representing public pension and employee benefit funds operated by North America’s largest public transportation authority in *Metropolitan Transportation Authority Defined Benefit Pension Plan Master Trust, et al. v. Allianz Global Investors U.S., LLC, et al.*, Case No. 1:20-cv-07842 (S.D.N.Y.). The complaint alleges negligence and breaches of contract and fiduciary duties in connection with losses sustained via an alternative investment fund (Structured Alpha 1000) trading in short and long index option positions. The complaint also alleges that the Defendants undertook unreasonable levels of risk that far exceeded

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agreements made between the parties and requisite duties of care – all in disregard of the deteriorating market conditions that arose from news of the COVID-19 pandemic in early 2020. In August 2020, the Defendants disclosed that the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission issued a request for information regarding the collapse of the Structured Alpha family of hedge funds.

### Investigations

Calcaterra Pollack conducts public and private sector independent investigations. The Firm's investigations team includes former gubernatorially-appointed attorneys and an assistant district attorney, one of whom served as Executive Director of two statewide investigatory commissions with subpoena power. Both statewide investigative commissions were formed in response to crises and required the issuing of subpoenas, document review, witness inquiries, and public hearings. Also required and produced were substantive reports on the findings and related solutions, most of which were implemented into new statutory and regulatory schemes.

- **Investigating Statewide Public Pension System Investment-Related Activities:** Calcaterra Pollack was retained by Kentucky Retirement Systems (now, the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority) to investigate specific investment activities conducted by the Kentucky Retirement Systems to determine if any improper or illegal activities occurred on the part of parties involved in transactions. The investment vehicles involved with this investigation involved complex alternative investment strategies, including hedge fund of funds products. Calcaterra Pollack was responsible for evaluating investments of interest through the lens of applicable case law and statutes and weighed millions of pages of documentary evidence over the course of several months.

### Municipal Representation

Calcaterra Pollack attorneys have decades of experience representing state and local governments, authorities, affiliated entities, and public pension funds in complex federal and state litigation, both as in-house counsel and outside counsel. Providing such counsel requires a keen understanding of the budgetary constraints of the public sector balanced with the mandate to provide efficient and accessible services to the public while adhering to related state and local ordinances.

In addition to the public pension fund representation experience described above, another notable matter representing municipalities or governmental entities is provided below:

- **Defending a Government Entity Against Complex Federal Class Action Discrimination Litigation:** Our attorneys represent a large New York metropolitan County in a complex federal class action alleging discrimination based upon the County's tax assessment system and plaintiffs seeking \$1.7 billion in recovery. The Firm is also representing this same government entity in another matter based

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upon the County's tax assessment system.

Calcaterra Pollack LLP also represents other municipal entities including the County of Suffolk and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority in three separate antitrust and securities litigation/shareholder actions as reflected herein in the Antitrust Litigation and Securities Litigation & Shareholder Protection practice areas.

### Civil Rights

Our Firm has a deep commitment to civil rights issues, and our attorneys have experience litigating matters including representing survivors of childhood sexual assault under New York's Child Victims Act and litigating high-stakes federal civil rights class and individual actions.

Notable Current Civil Rights Litigation:

- **Seeking Justice for Childhood Sexual Assault Victims under New York's Child Victims Act:** The Child Victims Act addressed the reality that survivors of childhood sexual abuse are often unable to report the abuse or seek justice until many years later. The CVA allowed individuals to bring legal claims concerning childhood sexual abuse that were previously time-barred under New York law. The Firm represents several plaintiffs who are survivors of childhood sexual assault, including those described below.
- **Against the Timothy Hill Children's Ranch:** Calcaterra Pollack represents plaintiffs who were subjected to physical and sexual abuse as child residents at the Timothy Hill Children's Ranch ("the "Ranch"), a Long Island group home for youth. The lawsuits allege that the Ranch failed to protect the children in their custody through its systemically inadequate supervision and safety practices, and detailed specific instances where staff members ignored the plaintiffs' pleadings for help and failed to protect them.

### Commercial Litigation

Calcaterra Pollack represents corporations, partnerships, and sole proprietors in complex state and federal litigation, in addition to matters related to business relationships, contracts, business formation and dissolution, affairs related to corporate officers, directors and shareholders, and financial transactions.

Notable Current Commercial Litigation:

- **Representing a New York Medicinal Marijuana Licensee in Complex State Commercial Litigation:** Calcaterra Pollack represents a New York medicinal marijuana licensee in a matter alleging twenty-nine causes of action against multiple individual and corporate defendants addressing issues related to contracts, shareholder rights, corporate by-laws and voting rights, capacity to sue, financial transactions, and acquisitions by US and non-US entities.

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### Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

#### Commitment & Culture

Diversity, equity and inclusion are much more than mere objectives or talking points at Calcaterra Pollack. Our firm recognizes that action and dedication are required in order for these positive values to take root.

In line with this core tenet, our firm was founded with a true intention behind our mission: to represent, support, and promote diversity, equity and inclusion (“DE&I”) throughout every aspect of our work and firm culture. We believe this commitment truly strengthens and affirms both our practice of the law and our experience as a team. In fact, the very makeup of our firm showcases our dedication to this belief. Not only is Calcaterra Pollack a 100% women-owned firm, but we pride ourselves on the fact that our firm is nearly 90% diverse: seven of eight team members are women and/or professionals of color and/or openly LGBTQI+ and/or a DACA recipient.

#### Client Service

We recognize that embracing DE & I provides our firm with a better understanding of those we serve. It informs our work with a broad range of experiences and viewpoints and gives us the tools to serve our clients with greater empathy and skill.

#### Collaborative and Inclusive Management

The voice and role of each team member is valued. When a firm promotes each team member, the whole firm benefits. We apply this principle across our litigation practices, from case management to client opportunities, to demonstrate to our team that every contribution matters, reinforcing recognition of accomplishments across the firm. As an example, when the firm’s partners publish an article or opinion piece, we endeavor to include in the bylines those who contributed to the publication, from our interns to associates.

#### [Child Safety and Product Safety Disclosures: A Look at Section 6\(b\)](#)

Regina Calcaterra, Janine Pollack and Anjori Mitra  
*New York Law Journal*. December 11, 2020

#### [Dreamers Bring Important Perspective to Legal Industry](#)

Regina Calcaterra, Isidora Echeverria and Montserrat Lopez  
*Expert Analysis – Opinion, Law 360*. July 17, 2020

#### Building the Bar and the Bench

**Supporting a Diverse Pipeline to Law Schools:** Calcaterra Pollack sponsors a [Pre-Law Diversity Pipeline Paid Summer Internship](#) dedicated to promoting diversity in the Bar by supporting diverse undergraduate students and recent graduates as they consider



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embarking on a career in law. Established in 2016, we coordinate this program with the State University of New York at New Paltz and the City University of New York Hunter College. Students gain real-life work experience and receive direct exposure to key facets of both the business and practice of law. Many former interns are either attending law schools or are presently applying, including our current paralegal Isidora Echeverria, who was a 2018 pre-law diversity intern. Internship Managers: Regina Calcatterra & Isidora Echeverria.

**Hispanic National Bar Association:** Associate James Aliaga presently serves as the Hispanic National Bar Association's ("HNBA") Regional President for the New York Region, where he works to promote diversity in all aspects of the legal profession, from law school admissions, private and public sector hiring, to the state and federal judiciary. James is also a member of the HNBA's Board of Governors, where he works with the HNBA's Endorsements Committee on reviewing requests for endorsement to serve in the U.S. Executive Branch and on the federal bench. James was honored by HNBA as a Regional President of the Year in 2021.

**Gender Equality in Law:** Co-Founding Partner Janine Pollack advocates and promotes women in the bar on the national and local levels. As Co-President of the National Association of Shareholder and Consumer Attorneys ("NASCAT"), Janine also serves as Chair of NASCAT's Women's Initiative where she assists in advancing women as lead litigators. She was a team leader for the publication, "Inclusivity and Excellence: Guidelines and Best Practices for Judges Appointing Lawyers to Leadership Positions in MDL and Class-Action Litigation," from the James F. Humphreys Complex Litigation Center, George Washington Law School (March 15, 2021). Janine is also a member of the Women in the Legal Profession Committee of the Bar Association of the City of New York, where she co-edited the publication, "Street Smarts for Women Lawyers." Janine regularly presents for the Practising law Institute, most recently on Women Lawyers in Leadership 2021.

Associate Anjori Mitra is a member of Columbia Law School Women's Association Professional Mentorship Program, where she mentors women law students. During her time at Columbia Law School, Anjori served on the board of Columbia Law Women's Association, and in that role organized a careers panel of women Columbia alumni working in New York. She also volunteered for the Sexual Respect Initiative, raising awareness on campus around issues of consent and resources available for those who have experienced sexual harassment, assault, and other forms of gender-based misconduct and violence. While at the University of Auckland Law School in New Zealand, Anjori also volunteered extensively for the Equal Justice Project, a pro bono organization which aims to increase access to justice in the community.

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### Social Responsibility

Calcaterra Pollack LLP team members are not only committed to those we represent and achieving positive outcomes for our clients; we are also committed to our communities, and to advocating for those in need, as reflected below.

#### Youth in Foster Care & Aged Out Youth

Partner Regina Calcaterra serves on the Board of Believers to You Gotta Believe, a nonprofit that, for over 20 years, has worked to find older foster youth “forever families” so they don’t “age out” of the foster care system on their own. Depending on the state in which a youth lives, they can be kicked out of their foster homes upon turning 18 or 21 years old and are left to manage on their own. Without a safety net, the majority of youth who age out of foster care end up homeless, incarcerated, or worse.

Regina has written about the impact of You Gotta Believe’s mission and the plight of aged out foster youth in her *New York Times* best-selling memoir and in national and local publications. She also speaks publicly about the plight of foster youth and addressing their trauma throughout the US to family law judges, educators, social workers, high schools, colleges, and countless not-for-profits that impact the lives of children in need.

Regina’s advocacy for youth in need is also reflected in her support of Case’s for Cases, an annual event focused on providing essential and comfort items and acceptable cases to carry them in, for over 600 teens in homeless shelters and foster group homes on Long Island; and as an advisory committee member to The Felix Organization, an organization that provides unique experiences to youth in foster care; and the New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

#### Protecting and Supporting Immigrants and DACA Recipients

**Legislating Opportunities:** While serving as Chief Counsel and Legislative Director to the late New York State Senator Jose Peralta, Senior Associate Justin Teres successfully advocated for the advancement of the NYS DREAM Act (legislation allowing undocumented New Yorkers to access the state’s Tuition Assistance Program for higher education), as well as legislation to allow the issuance of drivers licenses to undocumented New Yorkers. Justin also successfully advocated for the inclusion of budget funding for the NYS Liberty Defense Project, which provides access to free legal consultation and representation to undocumented New Yorkers who may be facing deportation proceedings.

**Protecting and Advancing DACA Recipients:** Paralegal Isidora Echeverria is an advocate for undocumented students pursuing public higher education. In her previous role as the Public Service Fellow at Hunter College, Isidora worked alongside the CUNY Hunter administration to address the particular needs of DACA students, including access to quality legal counsel and tuition assistance. She continues to advocate for federal and state immigration reform through various nonprofits that protect the rights of all disadvantaged immigrants.



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### **LGBTQI+ Advocacy & Protections**

Senior Associate Justin Teres presently serves as Chair of the Legislative Advocacy and Policy Committee at the LGBT Bar Association of Greater New York (“LeGaL”), where he has worked to further passage of significant civil rights legislation in New York State. The Committee’s efforts have included work to draft appropriate language into bills eventually passed into law, including the groundbreaking Gender Expression Non-Discrimination Act of 2019 (commonly referred to as “GENDA”).

### **Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse**

In addition to Calcaterra Pollack LLP’s representation of survivors of childhood sexual abuse, associate James Aliaga, through his position as Regional President for the Hispanic National Bar Association (“HNBA”), increases visibility about the need of counsel and protections for childhood sexual assault survivors in the Latinx communities. His efforts contributed to the New York Region’s HNBA, the Long Island Hispanic Bar Association, and the New Jersey Hispanic Bar Association November 2020 collaboration to provide access to attorney continuing legal education programs for litigating the complexities of childhood sexual assault cases.

### **Mentoring Students**

Associate James Aliaga speaks to and mentors high school and college students on critical issues such as Know Your Rights training through Rose2Hope, an organization that serves youths from disadvantaged backgrounds. He is also the alumni advisor to his alma mater’s undergraduate chapter of La Unidad Latina, Inc., and is a mentor in the LatinoJusticePRLDEF’s Next Generation Lideres program, where he guides college students as they prepare for careers in the legal profession.

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### REGINA CALCATERRA

#### About Regina



Regina Calcaterra is a co-founding partner of Calcaterra Pollack LLP. Regina specializes in complex federal and state litigation representing public entities, labor health and welfare funds, businesses, and individuals. Prior to founding the Firm, Regina was a partner at securities and consumer class action litigation firms for twelve years. She is also a *New York Times* best-selling author.

Regina also brings a wealth of experience to the Firm from a series of senior executive positions she held in public service, including:

- Managed statewide investigations
- Chief Deputy to Suffolk County Executive Steven Bellone
- Deputy General Counsel to the New York State Insurance Fund
- Deputy General Counsel to the New York City Employees' Retirement System

Regina is admitted to practice in the State of New York, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the United States District Courts of the Southern, Eastern, and Northern Districts of New York.

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#### Representative Matters

- Successfully represented a large metropolitan area public authority and its affiliates in a national antitrust opt-out suit brought against global credit card companies that allegedly colluded and rigged the interchange fee for all merchants.
- Represents municipal entities and businesses in a variety of complex federal and state litigation claims and defenses.
- Represents public pension and employee benefit funds operated by North America's largest public transportation authority, seeking damages sustained by investors in the wake of the collapse of a private alternative investment fund concentrated on short and long index options trades.
- Represents a large suburban county in the federal antitrust class action multi-district litigation against generic drug manufacturers for colluding to increase drug prices.
- Represents several of the largest New York City labor health and welfare benefit funds in the federal class action multi-district litigation against opioid manufacturers and distributors seeking recoveries arising from the opiate crises.
- Co-Lead Counsel representing seven families who lost their infants in the Rock 'n Play Sleeper against Mattel, Inc. and Fisher-Price, Inc.

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- Represents a privately held company on complex state litigation related to contracts, affairs related to corporate officers, directors and shareholders and financial transactions.
- Executive Committee Member representing institutional investors in a federal antitrust class action seeking recovery from over nine banks who allegedly participated in bid-rigging and market manipulation of the Mexican Government Bond market.
- Represents survivors of childhood sexual assault pursuing justice via New York's Child Victims Act.
- Served on the federal securities class action co-lead counsel teams representing: the New York State Common Retirement Fund, recovering over \$6.2 billion in *In re WorldCom Securities Litigation* and over \$2.1 billion in *In re McKesson Securities Litigation*; and the Ohio Teachers Pension Fund, recovering over \$250 million against Merrill Lynch regarding its role related to mortgage-backed securities contributing to the 2008 recession.

### Education

Seton Hall University School of Law (J.D., 1996)

State University of New York at New Paltz (B.A., 1988)

### Honors

Within the first year of launching Calcaterra Pollack LLP, Regina and her partner Janine Pollack were awarded the [National Law Journal's 2020 Trailblazer Award](#) for an Elite Boutique Firm. Regina was recognized in [Crain's New York Business 2021 Notable Women in Law](#), and was also selected to selected to the Lawdragon 500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers list in [2020](#) and [2021](#).

Regina has received numerous awards for her advocacy work, including the Champion of Civil Rights & Social Justice Award, City & State New York; Woman of Substance Award, Seton Hall Law School; Lifetime Achievement Award, Primi-Dieci Society and the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce Award; Speak Out for a Child Award, CASA-NYC; and the Geraldine Ferraro Award of Courage & Grace.

### Professional Affiliations

Regina is a member of various institutional investor associations such as the National Association of Public Pension Attorneys and the American Bar Association's Committee on Institutional Investors.

### Publications

[Child Safety and Product Safety Disclosures: A Look at Section 6\(b\)](#)

Regina Calcaterra, Janine Pollack and Anjori Mitra  
*New York Law Journal*. December 11, 2020

[Dreamers Bring Important Perspective to Legal Industry](#)

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Regina Calcaterra, Isidora Echeverria and Montserrat Lopez  
*Expert Analysis – Opinion, Law 360*. July 17, 2020

Regina is a *New York Times* bestselling author. Her memoir, *Etched in Sand, A True Story of Five Siblings Who Survived an Unspeakable Childhood on Long Island* (HarperCollins, 2013) has been incorporated into college and high school curricula throughout the United States. Regina is also co-author of a sequel, *Girl Unbroken, A Sister's Harrowing Journey from the Streets of Long Island to the Farms of Idaho* (HarperCollins, 2016).

### News

[Lawyer Limelight: Regina Calcaterra](#), *Lawdragon*, Allison Preece, March 8, 2021.

[Amid the Pandemic, 2 Women Launch Their Own Plaintiffs Firm](#), *New York Law Journal*, Amanda Bronstad, June 8, 2020.

[No Choice But To Succeed: An Inspirational Conversation with Regina Calcaterra, Esq.](#)  
*Counsel Financial*, Elizabeth DiNardo, June 18, 2020.

### Community Affiliations

Regina serves as the first vice chair to the SUNY New Paltz Foundation Board and a member of the Audit Committee; on the Board of Believers to You Gotta Believe, an organization that works to get older foster youth adopted; on the Advisory Board of The Felix Organization, which provides impactful opportunities and experiences to youth growing up in foster care; and on the Advisory Committee of the New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

### Speaking Engagements

Regina has lectured on matters related to the state of U.S. public pension funds, complex federal litigation, SEC regulations, and corporate governance. Regina also speaks nationally on issues related to foster care, specifically the plight of older foster youth and childhood poverty, abuse and homelessness.

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### JANINE POLLACK

#### About Janine



Janine Pollack, co-founder of Calcaterra Pollack LLP, has been a class action litigator for 30 years and has prosecuted cases that have secured hundreds of millions of dollars for defrauded investors and consumers over the course of those nearly three decades. Her focus is on representing clients who seek redress from companies that employ deception in selling their products or services, including through false advertising. Janine is routinely appointed by courts as lead counsel and to other leadership positions, including in data breach litigation. As lead trial counsel, she has prosecuted jury and bench trials, and won a jury verdict against R.J. Reynolds for wrongful death in a tobacco case.

Janine is the Firm's Chief Wellness Officer (CWO). As CWO, she provides opportunities and resources on behalf of the Firm for its personnel to enhance their overall well-being and improve their physical and emotional health. The Firm is committed to supporting the wellness of its personnel both inside and outside of the law firm environment, including through work-life balance, positive reinforcement, personal growth, exercise, and nutrition. Janine engages in frequent public speaking on various issues, including time and stress management and wellness.

Janine is currently admitted to practice in the States of New York and New Jersey and in the U.S. District Courts for the Southern, Northern, and Eastern Districts of New York, the Northern District of Illinois, and the District of New Jersey, in addition to the U.S. Courts of Appeal for the First and Ninth Circuits.

Calcaterra Pollack LLP is a WBENC-Certified Women's Business Enterprise.

#### Representative Matters

- Lead litigator in four Child Victims Act (CVA) cases in New York representing survivors of childhood sexual assault.
- Lead litigator in a consumer class action against a major bank for failure to pay interest on mortgage escrow monies.
- One of the lead litigators in a consumer class action against a lender for misrepresentations in financing documents to pay for energy-saving home improvements.
- Interim Co-Lead Counsel in a data breach class action against a large clothing retailer for failing to exercise reasonable care in safeguarding the personal information of its customers.
- One of the lead litigators in a consumer class action against a maker of baseball bats

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for false advertising and misrepresentations.

- Represented consumers across the country in class action litigation against Skechers, Reebok, and others for false claims regarding the efficacy of “toning shoes” which were advertised as being more effective than regular sneakers in providing body-toning benefits to wearers. Working with the Federal Trade Commission, Janine and her co-counsel were able to secure consumer settlements of approximately \$45 million against Skechers and \$25 million against Reebok.

### Education

University of Pennsylvania School of Law (J.D., 1989, elected to Journal of International Business Law)

Rutgers University (B.A., High Honors, English and French, 1986)

New York University in France Semester Abroad, Paris (1985) (fluent in French)

### Professional Affiliations and Activities

Janine currently serves as Co-President of the National Association of Shareholder & Consumer Attorneys (NASCAT), an organization of firms and attorneys which represents consumer and investor rights and supports the opportunity for consumers and investors to bring class action suits. As Co-President, she develops and advocates for national and state policies impacting the class action bar, securities litigation plaintiffs’ bar and consumer protection plaintiffs’ bar. Janine is also the Chair of the Women’s Initiative at NASCAT, which assists in advancing women as lead litigators and fosters relationships and networking opportunities for its female attorneys.

Janine served as a team leader to develop standards and best practices for increasing diversity in mass tort and class action litigation for the James F. Humphreys Complex Litigation Center at the George Washington Law School titled, “[Inclusivity and Excellence: Guidelines and Best Practices for Judges Appointing Lawyers to Leadership Positions in MDL and Class Action Litigation](#)” (March 15, 2021).

Janine is also a member of the Women in the Legal Profession Committee of the Bar Association of the City of New York, where she recently was a co-editor of the publication, Street Smarts for Women Lawyers. She is also working on wellness and other projects as part of Committee activities.

### Publications

[Child Safety and Product Safety Disclosures: A Look at Section 6\(b\)](#)

Regina Calcaterra, Janine Pollack and Anjori Mitra  
*New York Law Journal*. December 11, 2020

[Smaller Firms Need Employee Wellness Programs, Too](#)

Janine Pollack  
*Law360 Expert Analysis*. June 9, 2021



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### Honors

In their first year of launching Calcaterra Pollack LLP, Janine and her partner Regina Calcaterra were awarded the [National Law Journal's 2020 Trailblazer Award](#) for an Elite Boutique Firm. Janine has been selected to the Super Lawyers list<sup>1</sup> every year since 2012. She was named to the Lawdragon 500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers list in 2019, [2020](#), and [2021](#). She has also been appointed numerous times to *Law360* editorial boards and was selected to the 2021 *Law360* Consumer Protection Editorial Board. In 2012, Janine was one of the attorneys featured on the front page of *The National Law Journal's* Plaintiffs' Hot List for her work on the toning shoe cases, several of which resulted in record settlements jointly with the Federal Trade Commission against Reebok and Skechers.

### Speaking Engagements

- *Women Lawyers in Leadership 2020* – Practicing Law Institute – September 16, 2020
- *How to Wow Motivation and Wellness: Your Guide to Grit and Fit* – University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School – October 21, 2020
- *Taking Control of Your Well-Being: How to Leverage Your Legal Organization's Wellness Program* – Practicing Law Institute – December 10, 2020
- HarrisMartin Webinar Series: Baby Food Litigation- April 8, 2021
- *Getting a Seat at the Table and What to do Once You've Obtained Your Seat: Tips for Women Lawyers – Women Lawyers in Leadership 2021* – Practicing Law Institute – September 23, 2021

### In the News

- [Lawyer Limelight: Janine Pollack](#) – *Lawdragon* – Amy Carroll, April 29, 2021.
- Read about Janine's enthusiasm for small law firm wellness here: [Lawyer Well-Being Champions](#)
- Read about Janine's commitment to wellness here: [Women In the Law-A Lawyer's Guide to Wellness](#)



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### MICHAEL LISKOW

#### About Michael



Michael Liskow is a partner at Calcaterra Pollack LLP. Michael has extensive experience litigating complex class actions on behalf of plaintiffs in consumer fraud, data breach, antitrust, securities, housing, insurance, and wage and hour matters, among others. Prior to joining the Firm, Michael was a clerk for the Honorable Steven H. Levinson of the Supreme Court of Hawai'i, an associate at Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP, a Fulbright Teaching Assistant to the Slovak Republic, and a partner at two law firms practicing plaintiff-side class action litigation.

Michael is currently admitted to practice in the States of New York and California and in the U.S. District Courts for the Southern, Eastern, and Northern Districts of New York, the Northern, Central, and Southern Districts of California, the Northern District of Illinois, and the District of Colorado.

#### Representative Matters

- Represents plaintiffs in a class action against the California State Compensation Insurance Fund on behalf of businesses charged improper workers' compensation insurance rates.
- Represents a plaintiff in an antitrust class action against Apple stemming from its monopolization of the iPhone application market that was heard before the U.S. Supreme Court. The Court ruled 5-4 in favor of the named plaintiffs against Apple.
- Co-lead litigator for plaintiff in consumer class action against baseball bat manufacturer for false advertising and misrepresentations.
- Co-lead litigator for Nassau County, New York in case challenging County's property tax system.
- Represented plaintiffs in a class action against Bethpage Federal Credit Union and others for violations of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, resulting in a full recovery for each class member.
- Represented plaintiffs in a class action on behalf of overbilled Verizon consumers which resulted in a full recovery, plus interest and fees, for every class member.
- Acted as lead counsel for the data breach class actions *Mizrahi v. NBEO* (D. Md.) and *Bokelman v. FCH Enterprises* (D. Haw.).
- Represented consumers in numerous class actions challenging unfair and deceptive business practices, including against L.L. Bean, Nestlé Waters, Mondelēz, GNC, Banner Life Insurance, GNC, and Vibram.



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- Represented a class of institutional and individual investors who suffered losses resulting from their investment in Goldman Sachs mortgage-backed securities, resulting in a recovery of over \$272 million.
- Represented a class of overcharged tenants of Stuyvesant Town and Peter Cooper Village, resulting in a \$173 million recovery, the largest recovery for tenants in United States history.

### Education

University of Pennsylvania Law School (J.D., 2005)

University of Kansas (B.A., Psychology, 2001)

### Honors

Michael has been designated as a “Super Lawyer” each year since 2019 and was named as a “Rising Star” each year from 2013-2018 by New York Super Lawyers.

### Speaking Engagements

*Cy Pres After Frank v. Gaos*, presentation at 2019 NASCAT Annual meeting

### Publications

“Is Equitable Estoppel in Arbitration a Sinking Ship?” *New York Law Journal* (Dec. 12, 2011)



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### JUSTIN TERES

#### About Justin



Justin Teres is a senior associate at Calcaterra Pollack LLP. Justin has over a decade of experience in legal practice, having worked on a series of antitrust and securities fraud matters, as well as government investigations. Prior to joining the Firm, Justin practiced in the litigation group of a leading national law firm.

In addition to his work in litigation, Justin brings a wealth of federal and state public sector experience to the Firm. Justin served as counsel to two statewide investigatory commissions established by New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo and as counsel and legislative director to the late New York State Senator Jose Peralta. Prior to law school, Justin also worked on a variety of federal legislative and regulatory issues at the Washington, D.C. office of the world's largest independent public relations firm.

Justin is currently admitted to practice in the State of New York, the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the Southern District of New York.

#### Representative Matters

- Member of team that successfully prosecuted a multi-million dollar antitrust and false advertising (Lanham Act) litigation related to electronic surveillance technologies.
- Represents public pension and employee benefit funds operated by North America's largest public transportation authority, seeking damages sustained by investors in the wake of the collapse of a private alternative investment fund concentrated on short and long index options trades.
- Routinely represents clients in responses to investigatory subpoenas issued by federal agencies, including the Federal Trade Commission and Securities and Exchange Commission.
- Managed legislative portfolio of New York State Senator and Ranking Member of Committee on Labor, drafting and introducing dozens of bills for consideration and successfully ushering several through passage and chaptering into New York State Law.
- Managed government investigation into compliance of New York State candidate campaign committees with the Election Law and associated campaign finance regulations.
- Worked alongside colleagues to investigate the response of New York State electrical utilities to Superstorm Sandy, resulting in a series of proposed corrective actions to

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improve future service and policy recommendations adopted by the Public Services Commission and State Legislature.

- Led all aspects of pre-trial discovery work on several high-profile matters, including a class action against a chain of entertainment venues brought under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA).

### Education

New York University School of Law (LL.M., 2010)

American University, Washington College of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 2009)

The George Washington University (B.A., Political Science, *cum laude*, 2004)

### Professional Affiliations

Justin is Chair of the Committee on Solutions for Legislative Advocacy and Policy at the LGBT Bar Association of New York.

### Community Affiliations

While a student, Justin held internships with former U.S. Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle, the federal government relations office of Cisco Systems, Inc., *The American Prospect*, the General Counsel of the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, and the International Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission. Justin was also an active member of American University's mock trial team, winning the 2009 San Diego Defense Lawyers' National Mock Trial Tournament. Justin also served as Executive Director of American University's Lambda Law Society – the law school's LGBTQ affinity organization – where he coordinated institutional responses with similar groups in the region and organized external activities, such as congressional lobbying efforts by law students aimed at overturning 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell.'

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### JAMES ALIAGA

#### About Jimmy



Jimmy Aliaga is an associate at Calcaterra Pollack LLP. Jimmy has experience litigating complex federal and state matters including securities fraud class actions, consumer protection litigation, and individual actions under New York's recently enacted Child Victims Act. Prior to joining the Firm, he was an associate at a plaintiff-side class action firm and served as an Assistant District Attorney in the Brooklyn District Attorney's Office. During his tenure, Jimmy conducted numerous bench and jury trials to verdict as lead counsel and coordinated grand jury investigations on a multitude of criminal actions.

He is currently admitted to practice in the State of New York and the U.S District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, and the District of Colorado.

#### Representative Matters

- Represents institutional investors in a federal antitrust class action seeking recovery from over nine banks who allegedly participated in bid-rigging and market manipulation of the Mexican Government Bond market.
- Represents a student athlete in a lawsuit against Syracuse University, alleging the University failed to appropriately respond to allegations of domestic violence in violation of Title IX and state law.
- Represents survivors of childhood sexual assault pursuing justice via New York's Child Victims Act.
- Represents families who lost their infants in the Rock 'n Play Sleeper against Mattel, Inc. and Fisher-Price, Inc.
- Represented institutional investors seeking class-wide relief through federal securities class actions.
- Represented a plaintiff class of workers alleging federal and state labor law violations against a publicly traded utility company.

#### Education

New York University School of Law (J.D., 2015)  
James Madison University (B.A., magna cum laude, 2012)

#### Professional Affiliations

Hispanic National Bar Association, Region II (New York) President, 2020-2022 Term

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American Bar Association, Business Law Section, Fellow, 2020-2022 Term  
American Bar Association, Business Law Section, Young Lawyer Committee's Diversity & Inclusion Chair  
New York City Bar Diversity Fellow 2013

### **Honors**

Named as a Regional President of the Year by the Hispanic National Bar Association, 2021 (Region II – New York)

### **Community Affiliations**

While attending New York University School of Law, Jimmy served as an intern with Morgan Stanley, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and the Office of the U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York. He also served as a Senior Articles Editor for the Journal of Law & Liberty and an executive board member for the Suspension Representation Project and the Know Your Rights Project and participated in the NYU Legal Ethics Bureau's examination of prosecutorial misconduct. Jimmy currently devotes his time to serve as the alumni advisor to his alma mater's undergraduate chapter of La Unidad Latina and is a mentor in the LatinoJusticePRLDEF's Next Generation Lideres program.

### **Speaking Engagements**

The Many Facets of Criminal Practice, NYU Law Alumni of Color Association, Panelist  
Government & Prosecution Forum, An Introduction to Public Interest Lawyering, NYU Public Interest Law Center, Panelist  
Preparing for Prosecution Interviews, NYU Law Public Interest Law Center, Panelist

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### ANJORI MITRA

#### About Anjori



Anjori Mitra is an associate at Calcaterra Pollack LLP with broad civil and commercial litigation experience. Prior to joining the Firm, she worked at a plaintiff-side class action firm on securities, consumer, and Child Victims Act litigation, as well as FINRA arbitrations. Before that, Anjori practiced in New Zealand as a barrister at one of New Zealand's preeminent barristers' chambers, where her work included securities and derivative litigation, labor disputes and investigations, consumer litigation, cross border matters, discrimination claims, and childhood sexual abuse litigation. She has appeared as counsel in a number of New Zealand courts and tribunals, including at the appellate level.

Anjori is currently admitted to practice in the State of New York and the U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Northern Districts of New York. She is also admitted to practice in New Zealand.

#### Representative Matters

- Represents a large suburban county in the federal antitrust class action multi-district litigation against generic drug manufacturers for colluding to increase drug prices.
- Represents several of the largest New York City labor health and welfare benefit funds in the federal class action multi-district litigation against opioid manufacturers and distributors seeking recoveries arising from the opiate crises.
- Represents a student athlete in a lawsuit against Syracuse University, alleging the University failed to appropriately respond to allegations of domestic violence in violation of Title IX and state law.
- Represents families who lost their infants in the Rock 'n Play Sleeper in lawsuits against Mattel, Inc. and Fisher-Price, Inc.
- Represents survivors of childhood sexual assault pursuing justice under New York's Child Victims Act.
- Represented consumers in a class action against a large insurer and pharmacy benefit manager, alleging a mail-order program for prescriptions was a deceptive practice in violation of New York law.
- Represented investors who suffered losses in a federal securities class action against a large medical and wellness cannabis operator which allegedly misled investors as to its products.
- Represented claimants in a FINRA arbitration alleging mismanagement of their accounts by a financial advisor.

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### Education

Columbia Law School (LL.M., Harlan Fiske Stone honors, 2019)

University of Auckland, New Zealand (LL.B. with honors, 2014)

University of Auckland, New Zealand (B.A., English, History, 2014)

### Publications

[Child Safety and Product Safety Disclosures: A Look at Section 6\(b\)](#)

Regina Calcaterra, Janine Pollack and Anjori Mitra

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### Community Affiliations

While at Columbia Law School, Anjori served on the board of Columbia Law Women's Association, volunteered for the Sexual Respect Initiative, and interned at the Knight First Amendment Institute, which focuses on protecting the freedoms of speech and the press. While at the University of Auckland Law School in New Zealand, Anjori was the editor-in-chief of the Public Interest Law Journal of New Zealand and volunteered for the Equal Justice Project, a pro bono organization which aims to increase access to justice in the community.

### Honors

Anjori received a Parker School Certificate in international and comparative law during her LL.M. at Columbia Law School. She was also awarded a Spencer Mason Travelling Scholarship in Law from the Spencer Mason Trust in New Zealand for her LL.M. studies. She was a recipient of the 2017 Auckland District Law Society Prize (New Zealand) for best contribution to the New Zealand Women's Law Journal and received an honorable mention for the 2018 Hon Rex Mason Prize for Legal Writing (New Zealand).

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### **ISIDORA ECHEVERRIA**

#### **About Isidora**

Isidora Echeverria is the litigation paralegal at Calcaterra Pollack LLP, where she provides litigation support to the Firm's attorneys. Prior to joining the Firm, Isidora served as a paralegal and diversity pipeline intern at a plaintiffs' side firm specializing in class actions, civil rights, antitrust, and childhood sexual abuse litigation. Prior to her private sector paralegal experience, Isidora served as the 2019 Jennifer J. Raab Presidential Public Service Fellow, a prestigious opportunity whereby only one graduating student per year is selected to serve in the College's External Affairs Division. In this capacity, Isidora worked on critical public policy issues addressing the metropolitan area. Isidora is also a vocal advocate of immigrant rights and works closely with Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival (DACA) recipients in New York City to advance their legal interests through non-profit volunteering.

#### **Education**

Isidora received her B.A. in Political Science and Public Policy from the City University of New York Hunter College in 2018. She graduated as an Eva Kastan Grove Scholar & Fellow.

### **DANIELA MAESTRO**

#### **About Daniela**

Daniela Maestro serves as the Director of Operations and Marketing at Calcaterra Pollack LLP. Prior to joining the Firm, Daniela was a client development and marketing coordinator and litigation secretary at a plaintiffs' class action firm. Before entering the legal field, Daniela managed the technical research library at an international environmental conservation NGO in Washington DC, where she supported ongoing research and publication programs and contributed to initiatives to broaden the impact and dissemination of conservation science. While in Washington DC, she was an active member of the Society for Scholarly Publishing, the Council of Biology Editors, the Council of Science Editors, and the Special Libraries Association, and was a regular participant in conferences and programs intended to improve and support open access to scientific research and data.

#### **Education**

Daniela received her education at Smith College and the George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs.